



**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000
provided for continued examination of a utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application Number: 09/216,036	
Appeal No.: 2002-1989	
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See "Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice," Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000). Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:	
a. <input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted	
i. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply after final under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on [Date] _____.	
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief of Reply Brief previously filed on [Date] _____.	
iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed:	
i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply	
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)	
iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	
iv. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Revocation of Power of Attorney and Grant of New Power of Attorney</u>	
2. Miscellaneous	
a. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of [number] months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)	
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
3. Fees	
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The filing fee is calculated as follows:	
i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$750.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)	
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Petition for extension of time for ([number] Months) \$[Fee] _____	
iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$[Text] enclosed.	
c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.	

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